

House File 221 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to an unfair or discriminatory practice under the
2 civil rights law based upon the wearing apparel of a person.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 216.7A UNFAIR PRACTICES ==
1 2 WEARING APPAREL.
1 3 It shall be an unfair or discriminatory practice for any
1 4 owner, lessee, sublessee, proprietor, manager, agent, or
1 5 employee of any public accommodation to deny access to any
1 6 public accommodation or service to any person based upon the
1 7 brand name of a person's wearing apparel.
1 8 Sec. 2. Section 216.2, subsection 13, Code 2007, is
1 9 amended to read as follows:
1 10 13. "Unfair practice" or "discriminatory practice" means
1 11 those practices specified as unfair or discriminatory in
1 12 sections 216.6, 216.7, 216.7A, 216.8, 216.8A, 216.9, 216.10,
1 13 216.11, and 216.11A.

EXPLANATION

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1 15 This bill relates to an unfair or discriminatory practice
1 16 based upon the wearing apparel of a person.
1 17 The bill provides that it is an unfair or discriminatory
1 18 practice for any owner, lessee, sublessee, proprietor,
1 19 manager, agent, or employee of any public accommodation to
1 20 deny access to any public accommodation to any person based
1 21 upon the brand name of the person's wearing apparel.
1 22 If an unfair or discriminatory practice is alleged to have
1 23 occurred, the Iowa civil rights commission shall investigate,
1 24 mediate, and finally determine the merits of complaints
1 25 alleging unfair or discriminatory practices, and may award
1 26 damages to a complainant, subject to judicial review.
1 27 Code section 216.2, subsection 12, defines "public
1 28 accommodation" to generally mean each and every place,
1 29 establishment, or facility of whatever kind, nature, or class
1 30 that caters or offers services, facilities, or goods for a
1 31 fee.
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